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BOARD OF TRADE

HELD ITS REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT.

Grade Crossing Question Discussed—Resolutions on the License Issue Adopted—Other Topics Discussed.

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade, held Thursday night, was a spirited one. The debating was of a heavy order on some questions, especially that of railroad grade crossings, Salton houses, sprinkling of trolley tracks and the Fourth of July celebration were other topics of discussion.

The Committee on Railroad Interests made a report on the grade crossing question, dealing in particular with the application of Thomas Oakes & Company to the Town Council for permission to cross Walnut street with a switch from the present terminus of one of the Erie Railroad sidings to a lot south of Walnut street, owned by Mr. Oaken.

The committee in its report said that it was of the opinion that no additional crossings should be permitted until proper protection is made by the Erie Railroad Company of existing grade crossings in Bloomfield.

The report alluded to the three grade crossings on the line of the Erie in this town, namely, Walnut street, Orchard street and Willets street, the first named being particularly dangerous. The report reviewed the efforts of the Town Council to have the Erie Company afford some protection at the Walnut street crossing, all of which were unsuccessful.

The report concluded with the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Town Council be requested to withhold consent to a freight siding at grade across Walnut street, unless the switch is run close to the main tracks and inside of the gates, which shall be placed there to protect all the lives.

Resolved, That the Committee on Railroad Interests be authorized to negotiate with the Town Council toward securing protection of the grade crossings in this town by waiting upon the officials of the Erie Railroad and laying the matter before them.

(Signed) Wm. P. Suttor, Chairman.

J. F. VOGELHOFF,
J. M. MAINE,
L. SUTTON.

In the general discussion a letter from David G. Garabrant, whose son was read, in which Mr. Garabrant heartily agreed with the general proposition of the report, but expressed dissent with some of the conclusions reached. Mr. Garabrant failed to see where the granting of Thomas Oakes & Company's request had any bearing on the question of the double track of the Lackawanna across Washington street. Further on Mr. Garabrant said:

"As to your conclusions which you propose to present in the form of resolutions: The first favors consent to the desired crossing if run close to the main line and protected by gates. As I do not believe that it is wisely practicable I cannot support it."

"With the second resolution I heartily agree, and believe an effort should be made to get the superintendent, or some other responsible representative of the railroad, to meet a committee from the Town Council and the Board of Trade on the ground and endeavor to reach a conclusion which will secure the needed facilities in the least objectionable way, the needed protection for all grade crossings (or as nearly all as practicable), and at the same time a decent and safe bridge on Williamson's avenue."

"Of course the subject is one with which the Town Council must deal, as they are the only ones who have the power, and yet I believe the Board of Trade can co-operate to aid in securing a desirable outcome, and that I believe they should do."

Mr. Harry E. Richards spoke in opposition to the resolutions. Both resolutions were carried.

In the discussion of the license question the Municipal Affairs Committee presented the following report:

To MR. WM. BIGGART, President of the Board of Trade, Bloomfield, N. J.:

"DEAR SIR—Your Municipal Affairs Committee had met and duly considered matters brought to its attention.

"On the saloon question, it is a unit against the granting of any new license or the extension in any way of the liquor business in our community, and it therefore presents the following resolutions for adoption at this meeting:

"Be it resolved, That the best interests of Bloomfield demand that there be no increase in the number of saloon or inn and tavern licenses granted by the Town Council, and that the Board of Trade request the honorable members of the Council to refuse the applications of Stanley Yasky, 80 Lock street, and Sigmund Lewandowski, 42 Myrtle avenue, for such privileges, on the ground that they are for new and additional places not now in existence, and that continue to recognize the unwritten law of Bloomfield limiting such licenses to at least those places at present doing business; and

"Be it further resolved, That it is the sense of this Board that the liquor business should be more nearly confined to

the centre of the town, where its operations can be less expensively and more advantageously watched by the police department, and for other obvious reasons, and that this Council and all future Councils be requested to aim to bring about such a desirable situation."

Your committee having no further matters to present begs that these resolutions be acted upon favorably and presented to the Council and given to the local papers.

The Municipal Affairs Committee,

ALFRED DODD, Chairman.

Daniel Schleifer brought up the matter of sprinkling the trolley tracks, and spoke of the nuisance suffered by the neglect of the railway company to sprinkle its tracks here. The matter was referred to a committee to confer with the Town Council.

The Fourth of July Committee reported satisfactory progress with the preparations for the Fourth of July celebration.

Mrs. Brooks Must Stand Trial.

Mary J. Brooks and the "Rev." James Garvis, both colored, who were arrested here some time ago upon complaint of the State Board of Children's Guardians, charged with cruelty to children who were inmates of the Mary J. Brooks Orphans' Home for colored children, will have to stand trial on the charges made by the State board.

The matter came up in the Court of Special Sessions Monday before Judge Ten Eyck and the Judge ruled that the accused must stand trial.

Mr. Callahan, as their counsel, made technical objections to the manner in which the complaint had been drawn and afterward amended by Prosecutor Young so as to make the alleged neglect wilful.

The Judge said that he had looked carefully into the authorities and found that when a society assumed to take charge of children and then neglected them it was to be assumed that such neglect was wilful. Even if the word were not specifically used, he added, the complaint would stand.

No trial day was fixed.

Mary J. Brooks, one of the accused, is also under bail to stand trial on other charges. She is charged by Captain Scribe of the Newark police department with running a disorderly house at No. 27 Arlington street, Newark.

The charge against Mrs. Brooks was the outcome of evidence given before Judge Sweeney by Miss Moore and Lester Armstrong of 28 Arlington street, negroes, accused of being disorderly persons. They said they rented their rooms from Mrs. Brooks, who owns the premises.

Mrs. Brooks was represented by Joe. W. Callahan, while George A. Douglas appeared for the other women, who were paroled.

Automobile and Bicycle Collided.
A serious accident occurred on Broad street Thursday morning, in which a young woman narrowly escaped being killed. Virginia Vinnette of Oakland avenue was out bicycling, and as she turned out of Maple street to go south on Broad, an automobile (No. 8245 N. J.) was bound northward on Broad street, and the machine and bicycle collided and the young woman was knocked off her wheel and hurled several feet away.

James M. Walker was coming down Broad street at the time and was directly opposite the scene of the accident. He ran out and picked up the young woman. Mr. Walker also took the number of the automobile. The driver of the automobile turned his machine around, and took the injured woman to a physician, and then to her home.

Ephraim Moore.
Ephraim Moore, whose death occurred last week at his home in Franklin street, was the son of the late James Moore, who was for many years superintendent of the Hendricks copper works in Belleville, the older Mr. Moore took an active interest in Bloomfield affairs, and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church here.

Ephraim Moore assisted his father in the management of the copper works, and succeeded him as superintendent. When a younger generation of the Hendricks family succeeded the elder generation with whom the Moore's father and son, had been so long associated, Mr. Moore retired. After severing his connection with the Hendricks mills, Mr. Moore received very good offers from other copper companies, but declined them and retired altogether from business. He was a lover of literature, and when a young man he was a frequent contributor to Robert Bonner's New York Ledger. His writings were usually of a humorous character. Mr. Moore occasionally contributed to the columns of the CITRIX.

Odd Fellows' Memorial Service.
The members of Olive Branch Lodge, I. O. O. F., will attend the Odd Fellows' memorial service in the Young Men's Christian Association hall, Halsey street, Newark, at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. All the Odd Fellows lodges in Essex county will be represented at the service.

To Town Business Men.
The Board of Trade Fourth of July Committee will issue an official programme and asks the business houses of the town for a limited number of advertisements. It is not the purpose to make this programme a great advertising sheet, but to just get enough advertisements to pay for its issue. The Printing Committee has it in charge and those who wish to advertise should see Harry L. Osborne, chairman of the committee.

Have your lawn mower put in shape
by G. F. Townsend through Fronsdale Street, Bloomfield Center.—Add.

FIREMEN'S BANQUET.

Annual Meeting of the Essex Hook and Ladder Company Tuesday Night at the American House in Which Music, Speeches, Jokes and Songs were Enjoyed.

The annual banquet of Essex Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 was held in the American House on Tuesday night. Among those present were Mayor Fisher, Councilman Chabot and Green of the Fire Committee, Town Clerk William L. Johnson, Superintendent of Public Works Harry Cooper, Chief Engineer James Y. Nicol, Charles H. Johnson and others. The following officers were elected: Seymour P. Gilbert, president; George W. Cadmus, vice-president; J. A. Weimer, secretary; Charles A. Hildebrandt, treasurer; Rev. E. A. White, chaplain; Frank N. Usanagat, foreman; Albert Loppacker, assistant foreman; Heber C. Beldon, Charles T. Hall, Frank A. Osman and Charles A. Harrington, trustees.

The banquet was a great success. Landlord Beldin of the American House gave the firemen an excellent spread and prompt and courteous service, and received many congratulations from his guests. The committee in charge of the banquet was also congratulated upon the splendid success of the affair. The speeches made were appropriate to the occasion and were enthusiastically received. Mayor Fisher made a speech highly complimentary to the fire department in general, and to Essex Hook Company in particular.

The Mayor expressed his belief that Bloomfield possessed a volunteer fire department second to none in the State. In his official capacity he said he had always worked in the interest of maintaining the efficiency of the department, and he hoped soon to see the water mains extended so that the protection afforded by the department could be further extended to the benefit of citizens in all parts of the town. The Mayor's remarks were received with great applause.

Several of the veteran practical jokers of Essex were at the banquet and got in some of their fine work, causing a great deal of fun.

When Councilman Green arose to speak, the orchestra by rearrangement struck up the popular melody, "Everybody Works," etc., and everybody laughed and hurried for Mr. Green. He congratulated the members of Essex Hook Company and spoke of the work of the Council in behalf of the firemen that resulted in the new and improved firehouse now occupied by the fire company.

Charles F. Warren furnished much amusing entertainment.

Current political rumors of prospective candidates for official positions were an interesting part of the general gossip and there were some introductions of the next alderman" from the "stealth" district.

Seymour P. Gilbert took an active part in the political jolly. All present proclaimed the banquet one of the most enjoyable in the history of Essex and that company has a long line of popular festive occasions to its credit.

Sacred Heart School Commencement.

The commencement exercises of the School of the Sacred Heart will take place Wednesday evening, June 20th, at 8 o'clock at Union Hall. The members of the graduating class of 1906 are Katherine E. Egan, Winifred O. Dillon, Michael F. McNally and Mary O. Hoffmann. The class motto is "Laborare est Orare." The programme of exercises will begin with music by the orchestra, then the entrance march, followed by a tableau. Other exercises are the kindergartners' welcome, kindergartners' honors, kindergartners' valentine, Edmund Mahony, trio, "Old Black Joe;" choral, "Children's Day;" dust selections, song and drill. A special feature of the exercises will be the cantata "Jephthah's Daughter." The cast is as follows:

Jephthah, ninth ruler of Israel. Margaret Lawless
Iphigenia, Jephthah's daughter. Elizabeth Ward
and Eliza's sister. Charles McCadden
Ruth. Friends of Iphigenia (Winifred Raemach
Adah). Friends of Ruth (Margaret Murphy
and Josephine Prince). Arnold Messenger.
Charles Petersen.
Eliza, Roman Soldier.
James Hughes.
George Linton.
Camp Guard, No. 1.
Angela.
Winifred Dillon, Olive Crane
Soldiers' maidens, etc.

The valedictory will be delivered by Miss Katherine Egan. The above programme will be presented at a matinee entertainment Tuesday afternoon in Union Hall.

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Musical Instruction.
Miss Grace Willcocks will resume instruction on the piano September 1st. Residence and studio, 5 Orchard street, Newark.

Arrangements can be made now.—Add.

BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Public Service Corporation Held Up-Trouble with a Montclair Property Owner—Reward Offered for Arrest of Insolent—Cost of Fire Alarm Maintenance.

A regular meeting of the Glen Ridge Borough Council was held Monday night. The fire committee suggested a telephone from the New York and New Jersey Telephone Company for fifteen months' care of the fire alarm system. The telephone company charged the borough an average of \$35 per month for keeping the fire alarm system and keeping it in order. The bill for the fifteen months' service was \$525.

The fire committee was authorized to have repairs made to the firehouse at a cost not exceeding \$125.

The following ordinances were read a third time and passed: For the extension of the sewer in Hawthorne avenue; continuation of a sewer in High street from Belleville avenue to Bloomfield, and in Hillside avenue from Belleville avenue to Bloomfield avenue.

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